

## PUPILS SUPPORT THEIR PRINCIPAL

Circulate Petition at Mc-Kinley Training School.

BE CONSIDERED IN EVIDENCE

Hearing of Charges Against Mr. Gardner Goes on Behind Closed Doors.

While Superintendent of Schools A. T. Stuart is busily engaged at the offices of the Board of Education in the Franklin school today investigating behind closed doors the charges submitted against A. L. Gardner, principal of the McKinley Manual Training School yesterday by teachers at the building, the members of the graduating class of the school are circulating a petition among their members to be signed and sent to Superintendent Stuart in support of the principal.

When told of the existence of the petition this morning Superintendent Stuart said that he would be glad to receive any information regarding the existing conditions at the school and that if the petition came to him through the proper channels it would be considered in the evidence that determined his recommendation to the board to be submitted at the earliest possible date.

Teachers Repeat Charges. The investigation has been steadily progressing at the offices of the Board of Education. Two teachers, whose names were among those who opposed the principal, were heard last night. They were Philip Klupfel and Wilhelm Hartman. They testified that the charges submitted by them were correct. Principal Gardner was present at all of the hearings and will be allowed to hear all of the testimony that is offered against him.

Star Chamber Methods. What the exact nature of the statements made by the teachers has not been learned, for the board is following the old star chamber methods in conducting the investigation as was done in the case of the Eastern High School disturbance.

This afternoon, William J. Wolverton and Carrie J. Christiansen, two other accusers of the principal, will be heard by Superintendent Stuart.

CAPT. DUNCAN KENNEDY DIES AT GUANTANAMO

Capt. Duncan Kennedy, commanding the armored cruiser Colorado, which has been in Cuban waters for some time, died Thursday at Guantanamo of appendicitis.

The remains will arrive at Hampton Roads next Tuesday on a battleship of the second division of the Atlantic Fleet, commanded by Rear Admiral Charles H. Davis.

Store Your Furniture, Pianos, &c., Where safety is assured. The storage warehouses of Union Trust Co. are absolutely fireproof. Main office, 1414 F. The Original Velati's, 620 9th, ab. F. Are now displaying an almost endless variety of beautiful Easter novelties, comprising boxes and baskets to be filled with their delicious Caramels and Bonbons, made fresh every day. Only one store, 629 9th st.

## HALL OF THE ANCIENTS IS FAST DISAPPEARING

Old Structure Rapidly Gives Way to Skating Rink—Massive Columns Bearing Many Inscriptions Being Torn Down—Ornaments and Treasures Removed.

The demolition of the Hall of the Ancients, on New York avenue, advances rapidly. The old structure, that represented the fruition of the years of toil and struggle and zealous effort on the part of the curator, Franklin T. Smith, is being transformed into a skating rink.

The massive columns of the hall, covered with cabalistic inscriptions, are being torn down. The ornaments and treasures of curiosity and antiquity have been removed long since. Only the bare hall remains, and this will soon

## JEWISH CONGREGATION BUY ASSEMBLY'S CHURCH

The union of the congregation of the Assembly's Presbyterian Church with that of the New York Avenue Presbyterian placed the property of the latter named upon the market, and yesterday a sale was effected, the purchaser representing the Jewish congregation Ohev Shalom, and the consideration being placed at \$35,000.

The property will be delivered within sixty days and formally dedicated on the Jewish holiday memorial commemorating the adoption of their Bible. The price paid is considered a fair one for property in that section, as for a number of years there has been but little change in the improvements in the neighborhood.

C. & S. Pure Cream Ice Cream, Qt. bricks, 3 flavors. At Drugists.

Virginia Hot Springs Parlor Car. Chesapeake & Ohio 2:30 p. m. train has parlor car Washington to Virginia Hot Springs without change, week days.

We are showing the most correct  
**SPRING STYLES**  
In Men's Suits and Top Coats  
from the  
**House of Kuppenheimer**  
and other famous makers,  
**\$10 to \$35**  
**I. GROSNER**  
Outfitter to Men  
1013 Pennsylvania Avenue

## Men's Easter Suits \$8.50

We place on sale one lot of Men's Extra Fine Suits and Topcoats, which are actual \$12.50 and \$16.50 values, at this special low price. These garments are from one of Rochester's largest factories. In this lot are included serges, chevrons, worsteds, and the topcoats are of fine covert, broadcloth, and mixtures. Every garment strictly all wool. They are finished in the finest workmanship and are rare values at \$8.50.

**Men's Spring Suits, \$12.50**  
Not a garment in this lot worth under \$20. The fabrics alone are worth the price we are charging for the entire suit; many new, exclusive effects; rich, dressy patterns.

**Children's Suits, Spring Styles, Worth \$3—Special Today and Saturday, \$1.20**  
Children's Suits which are actually worth up to \$5 in very neat attractive patterns, every garment strictly all wool, special today and Saturday, \$1.20.  
A beautiful present with every child's suit.

**EASTER FURNISHINGS FOR MEN**  
White Pile Negligee Shirts, 50c quality, 50c. Special offerings in Easter Neckwear; all fancy effects. 25c. Each four-in-hands at 50c. Handsome Line of Negligee Shirts in plain and fancy colors. Cuffs attached and detached. Special, \$1.00. Complete Line of Lightweight Underwear; long and short sleeves. All colors. Plain and fancy meshes. Also drop-stitched; regular 50c. Fancy Hose, black, brown, and gray embroidery and open work effects. Special, 23c.

**THE FRIEDLANDER \$2.00 HAT**  
We are showing the finest line of \$2.00 Hats ever brought to Washington; both soft and stiff, and all the newest blocks and colors.

**SHOES—One lot of Men's fine sample Shoes, for today and tomorrow, \$1.90**

**FRIEDLANDER BROS.**  
Cor. Ninth and E Streets

## BANKRUPTCY OF RUSSIA IS FAST APPROACHING

Negotiations for New Loan at Deadlock and Imperial Treasury Is Nearly Empty.

GLASGOW, April 12.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the complete bankruptcy of Russia is approaching. It says that the negotiations for a new loan are again at a deadlock and that in the Imperial treasury only a few million roubles are left.

The Democrats, the correspondent says, will make a special appeal to Great Britain and France to unite and subscribe to the loan.

C. & S. Ice Cream for All Functions. The Velvet Kind will delight you. Drugists.

20,000 Easter Lilies and Easter Plants at a 20% reduction this week at KRAMER'S, THE FLORIST, 916 F st. nw.

The House of Quality  
**MAYER & COMPANY**  
409, 411, 413, 415 and 417 Seventh St.

**EXTRA VALUES FOR SATURDAY**  
Buy Now and Pay When More Convenient

**Special Men's Suits \$15.00**  
Nobby single and double-breasted suits; tailored in the most distinctive style, side or back vents, broad shoulders, finely lined throughout, and with or without full cut trousers.

**Handsome \$17.00 Tan Top Coats \$13.75**  
Double-breasted English Covert, in pretty shades of tan, sweater cuts, ten-inch vents, fine Venetian lining, and tailored in the latest spring styles.

**The Celebrated "Jayesko" Pneumatic Sweat Band Hats \$2.39**

**PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED**  
**\$3.00 Children's Suits, \$1.98**  
In thin, serge, cassimeres, and worsteds, blues, blacks, and fancy mixtures; suits that look well and wear well. Sizes 8 to 16 years.  
**Children's Suits \$4.45**  
Handsome Buster Browns, Norfolk, and Double-breasted Suits, in blacks, blues, and fancy mixtures; suits that will please the children and satisfy the parent; sizes 8 to 16 years.  
**EXCLUSIVE STYLES**

**Handsome \$21.00 Pony Suits \$17.48**

**Pretty \$8.50 Tan Covert Jackets \$5.98**  
All-wool, double-breasted English covert, in pretty shades of tan; collarless, trimmed with wide stitched saddle straps front and back; full sleeves with turn-back cuffs, and lined throughout with soft-finished satin.

**Alterations Free**

**\$2.00 Batiste and French Lawn Waists \$1.29**  
Embroidered silk fronts, trimmed with lace insertion, and fine tucks front and back; full sleeves and wide cuffs trimmed with insertion.

**\$3.00 Batiste and Handkerchief Linen Waists \$2.25**  
Round-cut yokes trimmed with embroidered medallions, Valenciennes lace insertions, tucked front and back, full puff sleeves, and wide cuffs trimmed with lace and tucks.

**\$12.00 Feit Mattresses \$7.98**  
Made of pure felted cotton, in two parts, heavy broad stripe ticking. Imperial roll edge, nicely tufted; soft and comfortable; will last a lifetime.

**Bowen, New Progress and Lenox Refrigerators**  
Do not buy a poorly constructed Refrigerator when you can have the best made, at no greater cost. The Bowen, New Progress, and Lenox Refrigerators are the best in every respect.

**Guaranteed Perfect or Money Refunded**

**Special \$9 Lenox Refrigerator \$6.48**  
Made of best seasoned ash, interior entirely of metal, with airtight zinc lining, all parts removable and easily cleaned, insuring a free circulation of pure, dry, cold air. Drip Pans Free.

**GROCERS**  
See our handsome Grocers' Refrigerators; guaranteed perfect in every respect.

**Open Until 9 P. M. Saturday**

Open until 9 p. m. Tomorrow

**S. KANN & SONS**  
817 ST. & PA. AVE.  
"THE BUSY CORNER"

Open until 9 p. m. tomorrow

Tomorrow on first floor bargain tables another lot of

**"Priscilla" walking skirts**

At **\$2.98** worth \$5.00

If they are not wonderful values why did women buy more than 500 of them last Saturday? This lot is part of the purchase which is one of the most advantageous we have ever made.

CHOICE OF BLACK, NAVY, STEEL GRAY, WHITE.

The skirts are made of extra quality mohair in a very pretty and novel pleated style, which gives unusual effect of being as general as the SUN-BURST model of last season.

The offering is for all women. We have all sizes, 37 to 43-inch lengths and belt measures 22 inches to 36 inches. You are assured of a perfect fitting skirt without alteration.

First Floor—Bargain Tables.

**Millions of pure sugar and jelly easter eggs, 10c lb.**

FOR THE CHILDREN

New lot of 15 barrels just received. Just about the size of the larger birds' eggs. Nicely colored. Positively pure. You need not hesitate about giving them to the little folks. They'll have fun with those they don't eat. Look for them where the big crowd is in the center of the store tomorrow.

Decorated Marshmallow Eggs, 1c  
Decorated Solid Eating Chocolate Eggs, large size, best quality chocolate, sold everywhere 25c to 50c. Special, 23c

Big chocolate eggs with name engraved, 5c  
Also good to eat—delicious, in fact. Made of pure candy cream filling and heavy chocolate coating. Three men to do the decorating.

Decorated Candy Roosters, 1c  
Hershey's plain solid Chocolate Eggs, 5c and 10c  
Marshmallow Eggs, a dozen, 10c  
Bon Bon boxes, with Easter significance, 10c to 25c

**Tomorrow--embroidered white Jap silk waists at \$3.95**

These are waists such as usually sell at \$6.00

150 of them only. All white. Made of the very best imported silk. Have three embroidered panels down the front, and clusters of tucks down the back. Deep cuffs of pin-tucked silk and German Val lace. Stock to match. All sizes.

Women who want a waist of unusual dressiness and at a low price will find that these waists will meet the expectations of the most exacting.

**The realm of children's wear**

The child's wardrobe needs replenishing in the spring as well as your own, and should have the same careful attention. We give below a limited list, showing a small number of the variety of children's garments we offer. These garments are well made, and at very reasonable prices. We invite your inspection.

**Coats and reefer**  
Pique Reefers, 1 to 4 years, from \$1.00 to \$3.00.  
Pique Coats, 1 to 2 years, from \$2.00 to \$5.00.  
Bedford Cord Coats, 1 to 2 years, from \$2.50 to \$7.50.  
Infants' Bedford Cord Coats, from \$1.50 to \$6.98.  
Brilliant Coats, white and tan, 2 and 3 years, \$5.00.  
Serge Coats, 2 to 3 years, \$3.50.  
Basket Cloth, 1 to 2 years, \$5.00.

**Infants' hats**  
Cord and Pique Sun Hats, from \$1.50 to \$3.00.  
Shirred Hats, from \$1.50 to \$4.00.

**Infants' sacques and coats**  
Infants' Hand-knit Sacques, from 25c up to \$1.00.  
Infants' Flannel Sacks, from \$1.00 to \$1.25.  
Infants' Long Cashmere and Bedford Cord Coats, from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

**Children's waists**  
Guilpe Waists, in sizes from 2 to 14 years, from \$1.00 to \$1.50.  
Girls' Ideal Drawer Waists, from 2 to 14 years, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00.  
Boys' Waists, from 3 to 12 years, 25c.

**Children's and infants' dresses**  
Short Dresses, in 10 different styles, 6 months to 2 years, from 50c to \$3.00.  
Hand-made Dresses, from 6 months to 2 years, \$1.50 to \$5.00.  
Gingham Dresses, sizes 1, 2, and 3, for \$1.00.  
Children's Gingham Dresses, sizes from 4 to 14 years, \$1.00 to \$10.00.  
Misses' White Dresses, in about 20 different styles, from 4 to 14 years, from \$1.50 to \$15.00.

**Infants' petticoats and skirts**  
Infants' Long Cambric and Nainsook Petticoats, from 50c to \$2.98.  
Infants' Long Flannel Skirts with Cambric Waists, from 75c to \$3.98.  
Infants' Long Daisy Flannel Skirt, 25c, 39c, 50c.  
Infants' Short Flannel Skirt, 25c.  
Infants' Short Flannel Skirt, with cambric waist, 50c to \$2.00.

**Miscellaneous**  
Infants' Rubber Diaper, 25c and 50c.  
Babies' Diaper Supporters, 25c.  
Infants' Knitted Bands, from 25c to 50c.

**Special bargains Home needs**

As much economy as if we used large space today. Many specials are not even mentioned.

4c Roll of toilet paper, limit of 6 2c to a customer, each.

50c Covered Sleeve Boards, 25c.

\$18.00 Reliable Gas Ranges, five burners on top, 16-inch asbestos lined oven, separate broiler, and warming oven, burners removable; quick even bakers, guaranteed in every detail. Special tomorrow, \$13.49.

\$7.00 Radium Refrigerators, real ash cases, oak finish, brass trimmings, sliding shelves, removable waste pipe; sold under the strongest guarantee possible to make; holds 36 lbs. ice. \$5.49.

Special tomorrow:

\$1.00 Round Willow Clothes Hampers, attached covers, 69c.

7c Nickel Alarm Clocks, guaranteed for one year, 49c.

45-inch Best Grade Table Oil Cloth, yard, special, 15c.

Ash Cans, 98c.

\$4.25 Crescent 2-burner Blue Flame Oil Cook Stoves; odorless, smokeless, and non-explosive; fully guaranteed, \$2.98.

\$1.50 Heavy Galvanized Iron 3-pint size, 25c.

4c Granite Iron Rice Boilers, 25c.

2d Floor—Housefurnishing Dept.—S. KANN, SONS & CO.

**Ribbons for Easter**

Three good specials for tomorrow

With the thousand uses to which ribbons are put—for hat trimmings, neckwear, dainty kimonos, and shirred girdles—an imperative necessity with the new Eton suits—and many other uses, too numerous to mention, these specials are just in the right time.

THREE AND ONE-HALF and four-inch plain All-silk Taffeta Ribbons in white and a good assortment of staple colorings. Regular price, 19c. Special price, a yard, 11c.

SIX INCHES WIDE—All-silk Fall-letines, in all the new shades; black and white, 25c. Special, a yard, 25c.

THREE AND ONE-HALF and four-inch fancy Dresden Ribbon; all silk, in a good assortment of three styles, any one of which would be cheap at \$1.49. Our 98c price.

First Floor—Ribbon Department—S. KANN, SONS & CO.

**Sale of white and gray Vanity books and bags**

VANITY BOOKS with strap back, grain leather, pure white, lined with silk, inside frame, outside pockets with two large gilt buttons—a very smart book, at an exceedingly low price. Our price, 98c.

VANITY BOOKS, same as above but larger and equaling many offerings in this city at \$1.49. Our price, 1.49.

CARRIAGE BAGS of gray walrus leather, lined, covered frame. A bag that you cannot match \$1.49 anywhere at our price.

CARRIAGE BAGS of gray walrus leather, lined with silk, fitted with purse, riveted gilt frame. Extra 98c special. Our price, 98c.

AVENUE BAGS of gray walrus pressed leather, inside frame silk lined, fitted with purse, nickel or gilt trimmings. A great value 98c at our sale price.

**Long gloves**

—Glace, black or white, best French kid,  
12 button, \$2.75  
16 button, \$3.25

—Suede, black or white,  
12 button, \$2.00  
16 button, \$2.50

—Come early for them, no telling how long they'll last.  
—Nearly every woman in town wants them.

**Children's hosiery**

Children's 1 and 1 and 2 and 2 ribbed Hose, double knees, heels, and toes; fast black; all sizes. A pair, 12 1/2c.

Children's 1 and 1 ribbed, full regular made feet Hose, in black, white, and tan. All sizes. A pair, 25c.

Infants' 1 and 1 ribbed Lisle Hose, in white, black, tan, pink, and blue. Sizes, 4 to 6 1/2. A pair, 12 1/2c.

Children's White Lisle Socks. All sizes. A pair, 12c and 25c.

**Spring underwear**

This warm weather very emphatically suggests lightweight underwear. Examine the following values and buy in time to take advantage of these prices:

Special lot of ladies' low neck and no sleeve Richelleu ribbed, bleached cotton vests. Tape in neck and arm holes. Second of the 35c and 50c quality. Each, 19c.

Ladies' low neck and no sleeve Lisle Thread Vests. Silk tape in neck and arm holes. Second of the 35c and 50c quality. Each, 19c.

Ladies' umbrella shaped Pants, trimmed with woven lace; French Bands. Each, 19c.

**6 cakes of best soap for 21c**

(Limit of six to a buyer). Choice of the following kinds:

Cincinnati Oleana  
Rabbit's Foot  
Ivory  
Star  
Gold Dust  
Brooke's Crystal  
Pearline

Quart bottle extra strong Household Ammonia. Bottle, 3 1/2c.

Third Floor—Housefurnishings Department.

Where will be found many other Saturday Specials not mentioned in the news today.